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## MURRAY IS QUIET, FARMERS RETURN TO THEIR LABORS

Nothing Doing in Calloway After All Excitement of Last Month.

Protection Will be Given to Witnesses.

### NEWSPAPERS CHOOSING SIDES

(By Perry McLean.)

Murray, Ky., April 29.—All the night rider cases having been continued until the August term of circuit court, farmers, merchants and the public generally have turned their attention to their usual vocations and as the busy season is now on especially with the farmers, Murray and Calloway county, which have been in the limelight, will again take their place among the quiet rural communities of western Kentucky. Only one or two of the men indicted as night riders have not been arrested and all have given bonds. The purchases of tobacco made by the Regie buyers has long since been received and shipped away and there is absolutely no occasion for any visitation of night riders, unless it should be to wreak vengeance upon Judge Wells and those who have been active in the prosecutions; but so well have the authorities held the situation in hand that nothing of that sort is expected.

Under the trying conditions of the past four weeks almost every citizen of any standing has been forced to come out and say he stood either with Judge Wells for the supremacy of the law or in sympathy with the lawlessness, and it is believed that a larger majority of the good citizenship are on the right side, though there is an element led by a local paper, who apparently are making an effort to place every obstacle possible in the way of the officers being successfully prosecuted, and seem bent on keeping alive the feeling that has been responsive for night rider outrages.

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### Wheeler Accepts.

Washington, April 29.—William R. Wheeler, of California, member of the immigration commission, has accepted the assistant secretaryship of the bureau of commerce and labor.

### Sailors Get Even.

Santa Barbara, April 29.—Sailors late last night wrecked the restaurant and saloon of John Senich, who has been charging sailors 75 cents for a bottle of beer and 25 cents for a sandwich. Two sailors were arrested and sent to ships.

### MISS REID'S MATCH

London, April 29.—Jean, daughter of Ambassador Reid, is reported on good authority to be engaged to Hon. John Ward, equerry to the king and brother to the Earl Dudley.

## PADUCAH GROCERS PROFIT BY FIGHT BETWEEN PHONES

Paducah retail grocers have been made beneficiaries of the telephone war at Murray, the action of the Murray grocers in discontinuing the service of the Cumberland telephone company causing the telephone company to retaliate not only by giving its subscribers free service to Paducah, but by offering to have the purchases transported to Murray by express and delivered at the doors of their patrons free of charge.

The trouble in telephone circles at Murray began when the Cumberland attempted to secure control of the Planters' Telephone company, the lines of which cover the entire eastern portion of the county. The Planters had been connected with the Murray Home Telephone company. A majority of the stockholders of the Planters company objected to the change and after a fight in the courts a boycott was started by Murray merchants against the old telephone company and all service with it discontinued.

After an attempt to buy out or establish a grocery in Murray was made, the Cumberland company inaugurated the plan of turning trade to Paducah business houses and the opportunity to get groceries from this city has been seized upon eagerly by a number of Murray citizens who still have the Cumberland telephone.

## Another Suit Will be Instituted Against Caldwell County People by Hollowells in Federal Court.

It is Said Price Hollowell, Son of Plaintiffs, Will Ask For Damages—Another Defendant is Discovered.

A third suit will be brought against the alleged night riders of Caldwell county in the federal court here, it is said. This suit will be for Price Hollowell, the little son of Robert and Mary Hollowell, whose cases against their former neighbors near Lamasco, will be tried again May 11. It is also rumored that another person will be joined as defendant.

The plaintiffs' subpoenas witnesses have been issued by the clerk, and Ellwood Noel, deputy United States marshal, will begin serving them this week. It is believed more witnesses than before will be produced on both sides.

Persistence reports that a compromise is desired have been coming from the east side of the Tennessee river. Mr. John G. Miller, Sr., has returned from Caldwell county.

He was greatly surprised to learn of the rumors of compromise in the Hollowell suit, and could not tell how it started. He said a party who claimed to have no authority to act for the defendants approached him in Caldwell county, stating he would like to settle the case, but Mr. Miller said to the party: "If you are speaking for yourself, it is useless for you are not able financially to pay what would be demanded."

Neither the defendants in person nor their attorneys have said anything to the plaintiffs' attorney.

### FUNSTON'S ORDERS

San Francisco, April 29.—General Funston has been ordered to take command of the army school at Fort Leavenworth in August.

## Grain Market.

St. Louis, April 29.—Wheat, \$1.00; corn, 68; oats, 53.

## REJECTED SUITOR REPLEVINS PRESENTS AND INCLUDES HIS WILL BUT NOT HEART

Memphis Social Circles Stirred Over Suit Involving Indirectly Young Man Known Here.

Memphis is stirred over a replevin suit, involving the heart of a disconsolate lover. The young woman in the case is now Mrs. A. W. Ketchum, formerly Miss Mary Bland Pepper, who last night married the son of Mrs. F. M. McGlathery, of this city. The News-Semitar says:

"William E. Cavett, an attorney, has been awarded a judgment for jewelry worth \$507.25, said to be in the hands of John R. Pepper, Mrs. John Pepper and Miss Mary Bland Pepper. The judgment was awarded him by Justice W. T. Bond, on a suit for a writ of replevin. Mr. Cavett alleging the property was held by the Peppers and that they refused to return it to him on his demand.

"Announcement of the suit furnished Memphis with one of the biggest sensations in years.

"Mr. Cavett is well known as a lawyer, and John R. Pepper is one of Memphis' wealthiest and foremost business men. Miss Pepper has been prominent in society and wed Adrian Walton Ketchum, another young lawyer, at the First Methodist church last evening.

"Mr. Cavett is said to have paid a good deal of attention to Miss Pepper prior to the announcement of her engagement to Mr. Ketchum, and claims the jewelry he is seeking to recover by means of replevin was given to her in the course of his courtship.

"Mr. Cavett obtained the judgment by default in Justice Bond's court.

"At the time the case was heard before Justice Bond, Mr. Cavett presented a list of jewelry he claimed to have given Miss Pepper. It was itemized.

"Mr. Cavett also sued for the recovery of his last will and testament of June 9, 1905, in which he leaves her all of his estate, real and personal."

The plaintiff enumerated the gifts, telling what was returned in good order and what was not. He includes his will in the list. He concludes with: "One real lace handkerchief (selected by Miss Pepper and bought of Lowenstein), \$12.50."

"One Japanese silk kimono (selected by Miss Pepper and bought of Japanese, opposite Gayoso hotel), \$15.00.

## CHINN NOT FIT FOR WARDEN OF PEN BY TEMPERAMENT

In replying to charges of ex-Warden George Chinn, of the Frankfort penitentiary, the Kentucky prison commissioners make a sweeping denial of cruelty to the inmates. They say Chinn was not able to preserve discipline and was not fitted by temperament to hold the place.

## HONOR DECLINED BECAUSE HIGHER ONE WAS DESIRED

The antiquated system of according class honors in vogue in the Paducah High school resulted, as such things usually do, in bitter feeling this year, and the situation took a sensational turn, when Miss Eleanor Hock, third honor pupil, and one of the brightest members of the class, was taken from school, and her father, John Hock, of 1220 South Seventh street announced that she will not be permitted to graduate with the class or accept the honor.

He complains that commencing last year a certain teacher prevented her receiving the class honors, and that Miss Hock was conditioned in languages. She made up her German and came within a fraction of a percent of winning out. Complaint of her alleged treatment was made to Professor Lieb last year.

The honors are conferred, according to the grades made, and that rests with the teachers in the departments. Mrs. Hock said she might appeal if she thought she could accomplish anything.

## REPUBLICANS OF SECOND DISTRICT IN SESSION TODAY

District Contest Will All be Over in Another Week Before State Convention.

Choate Announces Himself as Favoring Taft.

### NEW JERSEY AGAINST BRYAN

Henderson, Ky., April 29.—(Special.)—Indications are that Fairbanks men will barely have enough votes to organize the convention this afternoon.

The county delegations to the Second district convention stand four for Taft and four for Fairbanks, while Fairbanks has the largest number of instructed delegates. There is a contest for the 38 delegates from Christian county, who are instructed for Fairbanks, and for Scott, a Taft man, for chairman. If Scott wins he will recognize the Taft delegates and give Taft the majority.

If the four Taft and four Fairbanks members of the committee on credentials cannot agree, the question of seating the Christian county delegates will go to the convention, and the Christian county men cannot vote, which might give the Taft people a chance to organize the convention.

It was called to order at 2 o'clock.

### District Fights.

Louisville, April 29.—It was announced authoritatively that two district conventions will be held here May 5, one organized by the Taft forces and the other by the Fairbanks following. A similar proceeding will be followed in the congressional nomination fight. The next struggle in the eventful Taft and Fairbanks fight for Kentucky delegates will be the district conventions, the dates and places of which are as follows: Second district, Henderson, today; Third district, Bowling Green, May 5; Fourth district, Elizabethtown, May 5; Fifth district, Louisville, May 5; Sixth district, Covington, May 5; Seventh district, Frankfort, May 6; Eighth district, Danville, May 6; Ninth district, Grayson, May 5; Eleventh district, London, May 5.

### Bryan Loses New Jersey.

Trenton, N. J., April 29.—The Democratic state convention to elect delegates to the national convention at Denver selected a delegation unopposed except as to voting under the unit rule. The resolution to instruct in favor of Bryan was voted down.

The delegates at large chosen are: Senator John Hinchliffe, of Passaic; Frank S. Katzenbach, Jr., of Mercer; James Smith, Jr., of Essex; Howard Carrow, of Camden.

### Choate Lines Up for Taft.

New York, April 29.—Joseph H. Choate, former ambassador to Great Britain, announced his acceptance of the vice-presidency of the Taft organization of the state of New York. In a letter in which the announcement was made Mr. Choate says he regards the nomination and election of Mr. Taft as of the utmost public importance. He states that he speaks for himself only.

### Johnson's Ovation.

Detroit, April 29.—Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, received an ovation here today on his first visit. It is thought his visit will cause Michigan Democrats to send an unopposed delegation on to Denver.

### All for Knox.

Harrisburg, April 29.—Without a single contesting delegation the Republican state convention met today to elect delegates to the national convention. Knox will be endorsed for president.

The platform calls for tariff modification to meet the demands of the time, in such a manner as will subserve the best interests of the people. A resolution calling on the legislature to enact local option laws was defeated in the committee.

### Not for Bryan.

New Haven, Conn., April 29.—The resolutions committee of the Democratic state convention today tabbed resolutions endorsing Bryan and instructing the delegation for him. It also tabbed the substitute, which endorsed the Nebraskan and his politics.

### West Virginia in Line.

Parkersburg, W. Va., April 29.—The Republican convention pledged the state delegation today to Taft.

Mr. C. G. Kelly, secretary of the school board, became ill this morning and had to be taken to his home, 905 South Third street.

## Little Jessie Sanders' Neck Was Broken When Barn Door Fell at Her Home Near Grand Rivers.

Peculiar Accident, Which Resulted in Death of Child While Playing—Case of Murder in Crittenden County.

Smithland, Ky., April 29. (Special.)—While children were playing around the barn on the farm of John Sanders, near Grand Rivers, Jessie Sanders, five years old, stuck her head through a hole in a barn door which was leaning against the barn, and toppled it over, sustaining a broken neck when the door fell. She was the daughter of Mr. Sanders.

### Sullenger Case.

It is now believed certain that James Sullenger, of Crittenden county, whose body was found in an old well near a school house, was murdered. His head was beaten in. There was a report out that an arrest had been made, but it proved unfounded.

### TEXAS WEATHER

Dallas, Texas, April 29.—The temperature was 40 today, a drop of 40 degrees during the night. Rain is falling and freezing is feared tonight.

### Rudolph Infant.

Mr. and Mrs. Eva Rudolph, of Sharp, Ky., lost their one-day-old infant girl yesterday afternoon. The funeral was held at 12 o'clock today at the residence. The burial was in Oakland cemetery.

### AID FOR SUFFERERS

Washington, April 29.—Secretary of War Taft, responding to a house resolution, ordered that supplies be issued on the report of Major Devol, who has gone to Hattiesburg, Miss. The relief work will be placed in the hands of commanding officers of the department of the gulf.

Roosevelt received a telegram from Governor Noel, of Mississippi, and of the Hattiesburg relief committee, thanking him for his prompt relief measures. Noel said 55 are dead at Purvis and 200 wounded and 2,000 homeless.

## BANDANA ROBBERY CASE INTERESTS LOCAL OFFICERS

Detectives are still working on the robbery of the Bandana bank, which occurred last Thursday night. The sleuths are silent on the robbery and Chief Collins has nothing to say. Police Judge Cross this morning said that John Bulger, who was arrested Saturday afternoon on a charge of a common gambler, has failed to give bond and he is in jail on that charge.

Judge Cross refused to say anything else about another warrant being sworn out against Bulger. His trial is set for tomorrow morning in police court. Bulger is confined in his cell, and City Jailor Brown has instructions from Chief Collins not to permit anyone to see him without permission from the police department. Citizens of Bandana are greatly interested in the case, it is said that a man in the neighborhood of Bandana may be arrested for the robbery. The detectives on the case are out of the city today.

### WEATHER.



### RAIN

Showers this afternoon; clearing tonight. Thursday probably fair, continued cool; possibly frost tonight. Highest temperature yesterday, 65; lowest today, 48.

## BROOKPORT YOUTH IS IMPLICATED IN POSTOFFICE JOB

Hurried Out of Town Yesterday Morning and Circumstances Connect Him.

Strange Man Lurked Around Building.

### YEGG CONFESSES TO POLICE

Brookport, April 29. (Special.)—Since the robbery of the safe in the postoffice early yesterday morning the citizens suspect a local young man of having a hand in the safe blowing. The leader is believed to have been a young stranger, who dropped into the postoffice late Tuesday afternoon and purchased a postal card. He remained in the office nearly an hour writing. He came in mysteriously, and as mysteriously was gone the next morning. He did not introduce himself to anyone. The Brookport man left early yesterday morning by railroad, and the city marshal followed his trail to Metropolis. Detectives from Washington are expected to arrive this afternoon and until their appearance nothing sensational is promised.

The loss amounts to \$395. Besides the \$20 in cash, \$200 was taken in stamps, and \$175 worth of book stamps are missing. Nothing has excited the citizens of Brookport more for years, and it is the sole topic of discussion. Mrs. George Rush, the postmistress, took notice of the stranger and a close description of the stranger will be given. The disappearance of the Brookport man will be investigated and an effort will be made to locate the missing papers. Some say the robbers were the same gang that cleaned out the Bandana bank, and also Pickneyville, Ill., but the officers are silent on that point.

### Cairo Yegg Confesses.

St. Louis, Mo., April 29.—By the confession of Walter Christopher, in jail at Jackson, Mo., the most complete and valuable evidence obtained in recent years by the government authorities concerning the operations of an organized gang of yeggmen who for years have pillaged postoffices and banks in a dozen states is in the possession of the postoffice inspectors and the United States district attorney's office at St. Louis. Christopher has been an "organizer" for the gang, the names given the man who acts as an advance agent, picking out the "jobs" and laying the plans for the execution of the robberies. When arrested at Cape Girardeau, Mo., a few days ago for a minor offense, he was going under the alias of Albert Jones. He is 32 years old, and his nominal home is at Cairo, Ill., where he has a wife.

In his confession, which occupied four hours in the telling at Jackson, Sunday afternoon, with Postoffice Inspector C. L. Patterson and Charles H. Daves, assistant district attorney at St. Louis, as auditors and examiners, Christopher is said to have given a detailed story of his entire criminal career and an intimate account of the methods and personnel of the gang with which he has been associated, which has numbered from

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## BIG TOBACCO CROP PRESENT OUTLOOK IN THIS SECTION

Tobacco plants are more plentiful and farther advanced considering the season than at any time in the history of the "black patch," and preparations are being made for the biggest crop of tobacco ever raised, according to reports of farmers from all sections who were at Murray Monday and almost every section was represented. It is said that many of the plants are now ready to be transplanted and the farmers are preparing their tobacco land before following their land for corn, which is almost unheard of this year.

Those who understand the situation know that the question of plants is most important to the tobacco grower and although his crop is in danger of disaster from the time it is planted until the crop is housed and sold it is usually conceded that when plants are plentiful early in the season a big crop may be expected. So far but few cases of plant bed scraping have been reported and a majority of those are the outcome of personal spite.

## TRIGG COUNTY IS INVESTED AND 10 MEN ARE CAUGHT

Frankfort, Ky., April 29. (Special.)—Warrants are out for 12 men employed at Center Furnace, Trigg county, charged with banding together to drive negroes away. General Williams and 16 soldiers are camped near the place. The names are not yet known.

Cadiz, Ky., April 29.—(Special.)—The sheriff this morning brought in eight of the men. They are James Aldrich, Jack Aldrich, Jim Houston, Jim Bruce, Mose Etheridge, Wick Meredith, Ebb Woods and Ben Woods.